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This amendment is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action
Amendment dated November 19, 2004 and due February 19, 2005, without
penalty.

REMARKS

**Examiner has rejected claims 1, 5, 6, 9-11 and 16-18 under 35 USC 103(a) as
being unpatentable over Melendez in view of Dvorachek.**

MPEP 2143.01 provides:

"The mere fact that references can be combined or modified does not render the
resultant combination obvious unless the prior art also suggest the desirability of
the combination."